

DUNADD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held via a Zoom conference at 7.30pm on Tuesday 26th May 2020.

Present: Jim Malcolm, Di Roberts, Sue MacLean, Helen Mackie and John McKellar

In attendance: David Bracken, Bob Sweetman, Steven Carter and Sharon Webb

1. Apologies – Sandy Taylor (ABC)
2. Declaration of Interest - none
3. Minutes of Previous AGM – issued in advance & approved
4. Convener's Annual Report – issued in advance but the Convener went over key points. The death of Marion Thomson had created yet another vacancy on the council. David Smart expressed an interest in being co-opted. Proposed by Di Roberts and seconded by Sue MacLean. Passed unanimously. The elections due in March had been postponed but, when rescheduled, all councillors would be required to seek re-election.

Unfortunately, it has been impossible to contact the treasurer so no audited accounts to hand. These will be forwarded to ABC when available.

The joint response by Dunadd Community Council and Dunadd Community Enterprise to Covid-19 was outlined. The volunteer response was very encouraging but, as is the case in most small-knit communities, Resilience Planning was superseded by the actions of family friends and neighbours.

5. Annual Statement of Accounts and Report – not available
6. Election of Office Bearers. The Convener reiterated his intention to step down from the offices of convener and secretary.
 - Convener – David Smart expressed an interest. Proposed by Sue MacLean and seconded by John McKellar. Unanimously approved – subject to approval by ABC. Jim Malcolm will liaise with ABC and remain in post in the meantime.
 - Vice Convener – John McKellar
 - Treasurer – Gordon Parker had agreed to continue but there have been issues with non-communication
 - Secretary – Di Roberts agreed to take on this role but, on hearing of the problems of Treasurer, she agreed to do this instead. Proposed by David Smart & seconded by Sue MacLean. Approved unanimously. Jim Malcolm will remain as secretary in the meantime but further attempts to be made to recruit a paid secretary.

Di Robert expressed her thanks to the Convener for his 8 years in this role and the last 2 years also as secretary.

7. Dates of Future Meetings – the following dates and venues were approved but David Smart questioned whether councillors and members of the public might prefer to engage in virtual meeting from the comfort of their homes. Council agreed and Jim Malcolm to canvas wider opinion.

28 July 2020	Ford
29 September 2020	Kilmartin
24 November 2020	Ford
26 January 2021	Kilmartin
30 March 2021	Ford
25 May 2021	Kilmartin

8. AOCB

1) Attention recently drawn to the construction camp sited near Ford. Concern that agreed practices not being followed e.g. workers visiting supermarket with 5/6 in each vehicle. Leaving site when not on shift and returning. Fear that this could be a 'hot-spot' for Covid-19. Jim Malcolm to pass on concerns to Agyllshire Advertiser who are seeking a response and assurances from Balfour Beatty.

2)'Kit You Out' from Ford are making face masks.

3) Dunadd Community Enterprise. David Bracken explained that £2000 of £3000 grant was put aside for emergency funds to those in financial difficulty. 2 grants of £60 had so far been paid. Details on website. Encourage more to apply.

Plans and ideas for Kilmartin Church are available at dunadd.scot/church. Opinions are being sought.

4) Sharon Webb gave an update on the future of museum. Most staff on furlough – only 2 members of the development staff kept on. Sharon in contact with sponsors who appreciate that, with social distancing and delays, tenders could be higher than expected. However, sponsors are supporting existing grant holders. Difficult to see how café can reopen as the conservatory is only 3m wide and negates social distancing.

5) David Smart suggested a village 'get together' post Covid-19. Perhaps co-ordinated by Lynn of Kilmartin Initiative – in place of the VE celebrations that were cancelled.

The meeting was 'switched off' at 8.45 and there were no chairs or tables to put away!